



# State of Utah

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*this RC & surety  
replaced*

TO: Lowell P. Braxton, Director

THRU: Mary Ann Wright, Associate Director *MAW*

THRU: D. Wayne Hedberg, Permit Supervisor *DWH*

RE: Request for Approval, Form and Amount of Reclamation Surety, Gemstone Mining Inc.,  
Ruby Violet Mine, M/001/045, Beaver County, Utah

The Division has finalized its review of the large mine permit application and surety documents for Gemstone Mining, Inc.'s Ruby Violet Mine, located in Beaver County, Utah. Tentative approval was granted on September 23, 1999. The tentative approval notice was published and no adverse comments were received for this project during the 30-day public comment period.

Gemstone Mining previously posted a \$18,200 Letter of Credit to cover an exploration project (E/001/097). A \$37,500 check issued by Zions Bank was also posted with the Division as interim surety for two other associated projects (S/001/011 and S/001/012), while the operator was in the process of submitting a large mining notice to cover all three of these areas.

We are now prepared to grant our final approval for this project. The operator has provided us with a new Reclamation Contract and a \$200,200 replacement Letter of Credit issued by Bank One of Dallas, Texas. Our legal counsel, Tom Mitchell, has checked the forms for accuracy. Would you please sign and date the documents so we can issue final approval for the Ruby Violet Mine? *Done 1-27-00*

Upon the issuance of our final approval, we will simultaneously return the two interim sureties to Gemstone Mining Company. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

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Enclosure: Original MR-RC & surety  
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